

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: PICCIRILLI et al.  
Serial No.: 10/750,009  
Filing Date: December 30, 2003  
Group Art Unit: 2154  
Confirmation No.: 9321  
Examiner: Viet Duy Vu  
Title: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MEASURING  
MIDDLEWARE RESPONSE TIME**

**MAIL STOP RCE**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT FILED WITH  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

In response to the final Office Action dated August 8, 2007 (the “*Office Action*”), Applicants respectfully request continued examination of the present application in order that the Examiner may reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments thereto and the comments as set forth below.